



26. Acceptable use Policy for State-Owned Information Resources

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26.1 Definitions

Information Resources include all computer and telecommunications hardware, software, and networks owned, leased, or operated by The University of Texas System and the information stored therein.

26.2 Restrictions

This Acceptable Use Policy establishes usage restrictions for the utilization of state-owned information resources at The University of Texas of the Permian Basin (UTPB). These restrictions support State law, Texas Administrative Code (TAC) requirements, Department of Information Resources (DIR) requirements, and/or U.T. System Business Procedures Memorandum 53 requirements.

26.21 Any use of UTPB information resources for illegal purposes, or in support of illegal activities is prohibited. Violation of software copyright and/or licensing restrictions is illegal.

26.22 All use of UTPB information resources must be in support of education and research in the State of Texas and consistent with the purpose of the institution.

26.221 Any use of UTPB information resources for commercial purposes is prohibited without the express written consent of the UTPB Information Resources Manager.

26.222 Any use of UTPB information resources for product advertisement or political lobbying is prohibited.

26.223 Any use of UTPB information resources for the production, duplication, distribution, receipt and/or transmission of any material which might be considered pornographic and/or obscene is prohibited.

26.224 No use of UTPB information resources shall serve to disrupt the use of the resources by other users.

26.23 All access accounts for UTPB information resources will be used only by the authorized owner of the account for the authorized purpose and in compliance with established computer security policies.

26.24 Any UTPB information resource user which traverses another network may be subject to the acceptable use policy of that network.

26.25 At least once each year, the UTPB Information Resources Division will make decisions on whether specific uses of UTPB information resources are consistent with this policy.

26.26 Failure to comply with Acceptable Use Policy will constitute cause for termination of resource access.